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SUBJECT: HONDURAS/SALVADOR: GOH PROTEST TO OAS

REF: A) STATE 103819; B) SAN SALVADOR 1954; C) SAN SALVADOR 1893;

1. IT IS OF COURSE DIFFICULT FOR US TO DETERMINE GOH MOTIVATION FOR ITS REQUEST THAT A TEAM BE SENT TO INVESTIGATE ALLEGED SALVADORAN OVERFLIGHT AND SHOOTING INCIDENTS ON BORDER. GIVEN SALVADOR'S RECENT WELL-PUBLICIZED PROTESTS BEFORE THE OAS ALLEGING THAT A SERIES OF SUCH INCIDENTS HAS BEEN PERPETRATED BY HONDURAN TROOPS (REF B AND C), THIS MAY BE A COUNTER-OFFENSIVE TACTIC DEIGNED TO OFFSET THE SALVADORAN CHARGES. IT MAY ALSO REPRESENT EFME POSTURING IN PREPARATION FOR THE CA HIEFS OF STATE SUMMIT MEETING, PERHAPS TO UNDERSCORE FOR THE BENEFIT OF
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TO THE BOUNDARY DISPUTE. FOREIGN OFFICE THUS FAR REFUSES TO SPECULATE ON THE HONDURAN MOVE AND HAS TOLD US ONLY THAT THE GOES RESPONSE WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN THE OAS. IN FACT, THE GOVERNMENT IS PROBABLY TRYING TO DECIDE HOW TO RESPOND ALTHOUGH IT IS UNLIKELY THAT IT IS OVERJOYED AT THE PROSPECTS OF HAVING AN OAS TEAM IN COUNTRY AGAIN.

2. LOCAL PRESS THUS FARNHAS HAD NO COMMENT ON THE HONDURAN MOVE ALTHOUGH ONE WEEKEND PAPER CARRIED UPI STORY FROM WASHINGTON ON THE ONDURAN PROTEST AND ITS POSSIBLE EFFECT ON THE CA SUMMIT, HEADLINING IT "PRESIDENTIAL MEETING ENDANGERED." MILITARY SOURCES REPORTED LATE LAST WEEK THAT THE BORDER SITUATION HAS IMPROVED MARKEDLY, THAT NO FURTHER INCIDENTS HAD OCCURRED AND THAT THE TWO GENERAL STAFFS WERE IN DIRECT CONTACT IN AN EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT THE SITUATION REMAINED PEACEFUL.
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